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Re EMBTEL May 9

On my instructions Colonel Martin called again on Mrs. Taaffe yesterday and emphasized in strongest terms that neither this Embassy nor government in general could take part in any plots against Arbenz Government or otherwise intervene in Guatemala's internal affairs. She urged Martin use his influence to help Guatemalan army obtain arms to oust Communists. Martin said he could not help in this matter.

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